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(B) WE WANTED TO SEIZE THIS UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN OUR AFRICAN POLICIES. SINCE ANY AFRICAN POLICY MUST BEGIN WITH SOUTHERN AFRICA, WE WANTED THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN TO THE COUNTRIES AND MOVEMENTS MOST DIRECTLY CONCERNED THE INITIATIVES WE HAVE TAKEN AND THE STRATEGY WE HAVE FOLLOWED.

(C) FINALLY, WE WANTED TO LISTEN TO AND UNDERSTAND AFRICAN VIEWS ON THESE CRITICAL SUBJECTS. WE RECOGNIZE THAT OUR ASSISTANCE WILL NOT BE EFFECTIVE UNLESS THE PARTIES MOST DIRECTLY INVOLVED UNDERSTAND OUR PURPOSE AND FEEL FREE TO CONVEY THEIR REACTIONS.

FROM ALL THREE POINTS OF VIEW WE ASSESS THE CONFERENCE AS REMARKABLY SUCCESSFUL. THE CONFERENCE MARKS A NEW STAGE IN THE LIBERATION OF NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE. MORE THAN 90 COUNTRIES CAME TO DECLARE THEIR SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA. THIS COLLECTIVE EXPRESSION OF INTERNATIONAL DETERMINATION IS A SIGN THAT THE PROCESS OF LIBERATION IS MOVING TO A NEW AND CULMINATING PHASE. WE HAVE FOUND OTHERS WILLING TO LISTEN TO OUR POINT OF VIEW AND WE HAVE BENEFITED FROM THEIRS. WE SEE OURSELVES WORKING FOR THE SAME GOALS, EVEN WHEN WE CHOOSE DIFFERENT MEANS FROM THOSE PREFERRED BY OTHERS.

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THE POSITION OF THE WESTERN MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS CLEAR. IN THE LIGHT OF THE INITIATIVES WE HAVE TAKEN, WE FIND OURSELVES UNABLE TO ASSOCIATE OURSELVES WITH A NUMBER OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE DECLARATION AND THE PROGRAM OF ACTION. TO ASSOCIATE OURSELVES WOULD PREJUDICE THE RESULTS OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT THE MOST PROMISING START TO RESOLVE THE NAMIBIAN PROBLEM. WE TAKE A SIMILAR POSITION REGARDING THE NEGOTIATION EFFORT OF THE BRITISH IN ZIMBABWE. THE BULK OF THE DOCUMENTS, HOWEVER, REPRESENTS OUR VIEWS. THEY ALSO REPRESENT A REMARKABLE EFFORT TO CONVEY TO THOSE WHO HAVE BLOCKED PROGRESS

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